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SHEEPMAN SHOT BY HOMESTEADER

Hagerman, N. M., April 11.—Dick Hamilton, a well-to-do sheep raiser was shot and killed by J. M. Tegue, twenty miles west of this place. An account of the killing as sent to Sheriff Ballard's office at once, and deputies were put on the trail of the murderer, who had taken himself into the Sacramento mountains at once. Sheriff Ballard is in Albuquerque on business, but will leave at once for the scene of the murder.

Few details are to be had at this time. It is supposed that the trouble arose over differences between the sheepraiser and homesteader as regards the range of the sheep. It is said that Tegue was armed with a pistol, while Middleton was not thought to have been armed. Middleton came here from Midland, Texas, and his people have been notified of the murder. No arrangements have been made for burial, pending word from his people.

Dry Farming in New Mexico

Rex E. Willard

The last two or three seasons have shown considerable hardship to the dry-farming sections of the territory on account of the lack of normal rainfall. A large number of dry-farmers who have not practiced the best methods of conserving moisture have left the territory, and many others who did practice the moisture-saving methods have been compelled to leave because in many localities there has been scarcely any moisture. It is reported from some sections that from 60 to 75 per cent. of the settlers have found it necessary to leave their newly acquired homesteads.

However, there is a considerable number who are remaining for another season, and the present prospects are that the coming season will prove a successful one.

The last two months have witnessed a considerable amount of precipitation over practically all of New Mexico. Eastern, central and northwestern sections received from one and one-half inches to three inches during the month of February alone. Snowfall was quite abundant in the higher elevations so that with the coming of spring there is a considerable amount of moisture.

Prospects for the irrigators in the territory are much brighter on account of the considerable snowfall in the mountains. The greater amount of water used for irrigation from the rivers comes from the mountains. Whenever the snowfall is light, there is a likelihood of shortage of water during the following season.

With the present improved

BURGLARS ARE BUSY AT MOUNTAINAIR

Last Friday night burglars entered Lorey Bros. meat market and took about all the eatables in sight, including a jar of pickles. They consumed the pickles on the spot and left the jar on the ground outside the building. They took about 30 or 40 pounds of meat. They broke a padlock on the outside and pried the knob lock open with a bar. The same night some one broke a pane of glass in the door of J. H. Rhoades store and were probably frightened away by Mrs. Chas. L. Burt who heard the noise and opened the front door of the house, which is diagonally across the street from the Rhoades store. The same night and probably the same men, tried to enter the Hotel Mountainair through a window. Mr. White, the proprietor heard the noise and saw the men but they got away before he could even get a good view of them. Since the reign of petty thieving began some of the merchants have arranged to have some one sleep on the premises. —Mountainair Messenger.

Frazier Said to be Very Ill

Friends in this city have received word of the serious illness of William Frazier in Inverness, Scotland. Mr. Frazier is reported suffering from cancer of the stomach, and physicians hold out little hope of his recovery. Mr. Frazier was formerly engaged in the sheep business in New Mexico and owned extensive ranches in the Estancia Valley. He has a host of friends throughout New Mexico who will be pained to learn of his illness. —Albuquerque Journal.

Committee assignments

Washington, D. C., April 11.—Delegate Andrews of New Mexico has been placed, according to the announcement of the committee assignments, on the Agricultural, Public Land and Territorial committees. Delegate Cameron of Arizona found berths on the Postal, Indian Affairs and Territorial committees. Berger, the socialist member from Wisconsin has been named on the committee on District of Columbia. Akin of New York, the independent democrat, has been placed on the committee on education.

outlook, the dry-farmers should begin at once to care for the moisture now in the ground. With a reasonable amount of rainfall during the coming months, the farmers should overcome to a considerable extent the losses of the past seasons.

News Readers get the News first.

That Poor Editor!

An editor sat in his sanctum,
Regarding with sorrowful eyes
A huge pile of questions his readers
Sent in with demands for replies.
"Why, these," said the weary quill-driver,
"Would make up a moderate book;
I'll publish them all together,
And let people see how they look!"
"Who was it that wrote that sweet ditty
Beginning 'I saw from—' some-where?"
"Pray tell me some certain specific
For changing the tint of my hair?"
"Do North Polar fishes have feathers?"
"Was Wat Tyler quartered or hung?"
"Who was the first man cremated?"
"What is good for disease of the lung?"
"Why are some people red-headed?"
"Why doesn't my young man propose?"
"How should a sirloin be carved, please?"
"Why do I turn in my toes?"
"Tell me where Moses was buried,
And did Noah take mice in the ark?"
"What was the tune Nero fiddled?"
"Why is it hens do not bark?"
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And this did not empty the basket,
But the rest are dispensed, none know where;
For the editor now sits in Bedlam,
And plays with the straws in his hair!

Estancia Pioneer Grows Seed Corn

Joe Purcella was down from Eastview the first of the week with a load of home grown corn he sold for seed. This was well matured corn, an the ears of good size. It was grown last year without irrigation. Mr. Purcella never fails to produce the goods and he says it is part in the seed and the rest in the knowing how. —Mountainair Messenger.

Tomorrow the beginning of Holy Week, will be Palm Sunday. It is so called from the palm branches which were strewed before Jesus Christ on His public entry into Jerusalem. St. Jerome calls it "Indulgence Sunday" from the custom of liberating prisoners and closing the law courts during Holy Week. In the early English church the benediction of the palms took place before the Holy Communion but this custom was abolished under King Edward VI. The services in all the Roman Catholic churches of this country are impressive tomorrow and the faithful receive the palms, carry them home and there treasure them with other objects that have been blessed. —New Mexican.

According to the Clovis Journal, eighty Santa Fe railroad employes at Clovis will get their "walking papers" for going into saloons to get a drink. A spotter reported them as it is against the company's rules for employes to frequent saloons. —New Mexican.

E. Romero left for the Pedernals yesterday. He is looking for timber land, especially timber suitable for ties as he has a big order booked for the Santa Fe system.

FOUND MURDERED IN COMMISSARY NEAR VAUGHN

Buoro, N. M., April 11.—Abel Sedillo, an Albuquerque boy whose parents reside on South Broadway, was found murdered at Construction Camp No. 25 of the Eastern Railway of New Mexico, a few miles out from Vaughn. Sedillo, who was employed at the commissary was twenty five years of age. Apparently the young man was at work on his books, when he was approached from behind and struck over the head with an ax, cutting deep wounds in the base of the head and neck. The father of the young man, who is feeble minded is suspected as the murderer. Mexican laborers on going to the car for supplies found the dead body in a pool of blood where the young man had fallen from the chair on which he had been sitting. The authorities were at once notified, and a deputy sheriff came from Vaughn. A coroners jury was empanelled and the laborers examined. Nothing definite was learned from the murderers. The father, Francisco Sedillo is said to have gone to Casaus, and a deputy sheriff has gone to that place to bring him back. It is reported that at one time the father was in the asylum at Las Vegas.

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It is time every citizen that is in favor of justice was making a protest when our county officials join in to rob us through a new concern that came to our country. We have staid here and sacrificed and lost what we brought to this country and now when there is a chance to come out, someone comes in and is not satisfied with his share, but wants the Lion's part. Our editor has done all he could for the people and has been working for a year now without compensation, to get something that will make our valley blossom as a rose. And now are we to let a stranger come in and rob all the people? Here's one for a government for all the people, by all the people. —A taxpayer.

The case of Roswell against the Santa Fe Railroad company for violation of the city prohibition ordinance in bringing beer from Hagerman into Roswell, was tried before Justice Marcelus W. Witt, and the defendant was found guilty and fined \$100 and costs. The company gave notice of an appeal to the higher court. —New Mexican.

The second child of H. C. Williams, south of town is quite ill with congestion of the lungs.

DR. HYDE IS GIVEN NEW TRIAL

Kansas City, Mo., April 11.—Dr. B. C. Hyde, whose sensational trial for the murder of his father-in-law Swope will be readily recalled by the reading public, has been granted a new trial by the supreme court of Missouri at Jefferson City. Dr. Hyde has been in jail, having been sentenced to life imprisonment. He will be held in custody without bail until the new trial can be had. His wife, who stood so firmly by her husband during his former trial, has lost not one bit of faith in him, and is prepared to see him through the ordeal of the coming trial.

American Women Held in Corral

Santiago, Cal., April 11.—A report comes to this city that American women have been mistreated by the insurrectos, having been held in a corral at Alamo under guard. Mr. and Mrs. Raffi have appealed to Secretary Knox at Washington, who has taken the matter up with Secretary Ensenada and asked for rigid investigation. It is charged that the insurrectos have offered grave indignities to the women.

The infant child of Judge C. B. Howell is reported quite ill.

W. W. Wagner was down from McIntosh yesterday. He called at the News office and ordered the Morning News sent to his address, as he says he wants to keep up with the valley.

J. T. Kelley was in from his farm north of town yesterday. He says his corn is coming up nicely, and that he has already harrowed it twice. He says he is just farming enough to keep Mrs. Kelley and the children busy when he comes to town.

Popular Novel Built Up Town. Blackmore's "Lorna Doone" was responsible for the popularity of Lynton and Lynmouth. Hotels sprang up as if by magic, and it is estimated that Blackmore's work increased the value of real estate in the section mentioned at least 100 per cent.

The Last Word. Determined to have the last word, the woman hunted through the dictionary and soon emerged triumphant with a list of three thousand framed from "Constantinople," and received therefore one year's subscription to the Joyful Home's big prize contest. —Judge.

Habit of Loon. As a diver the loon excels and naturally, for it is his sole means of livelihood. Not only is he marvelously quick, but he can remain under water for a seemingly endless time. In swimming under water he uses both wings and feet and can go for several hundred yards in the fashion. The loon, like many other water fowls, sleeps on the water with his head tucked under his wing. —St. Nicholas.